

ANNOUNCEMENTS • OCTOBER 4, 2026

October 4 - October 10

Sunday

9 a.m. - Children's Sunday School (*Preschool-5th grade*)
9 a.m. - "Over the Coffee" meets downstairs
10 a.m. - Worship Service
1 p.m. - CROP Walk - First Congregational Church, W'loo

Monday

10 a.m. - Pastors' Cohort

Tuesday

12:30 p.m. - Staff Meeting
5:30 p.m. - New Officer Training in the Library

Wednesday

Noon - *Bulletin Deadline*

5:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal
6-7:30 p.m. - WN@CH

Saturday

6 p.m. - *A Ceremony of Women's Songs* Dress Rehearsal

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. - Worship Service
11:15 a.m. - Board of Deacons Meeting
3-4:30 p.m. - *Strangers No More* at First Baptist, W'loo

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - (Preschool-5th grades)
We meet in the room across from the nursery at 9 a.m.

OVER THE COFFEE - Join us Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. This group, while showing its "grey," welcomes all ages for intergenerational discussions and fellowship. We look forward to seeing you!

WORSHIP EXPLORERS! After the children's message and during the sermon, children **Preschool-5th grades** can follow a Worship Explorers leader to a classroom. This program is designed to help children grow as worshipers and to equip them to participate in worship. The children will be out of worship only during the sermon. 6th grade and up should stay in the sanctuary to listen to the sermon.

SUNDAY SUPPER continues to be held weekly with Presbyterian churches staffing and serving the 2nd through 5th Sundays (Gift of Life Church, with First Pres Waterloo, is staffing and serving the 1st Sunday of each month). Meals continue to be served for over 100 and protein foods are harder to obtain at the NEIFB. Please see the sign-up sheet in the Commons if you can volunteer. Lesley Johnson is the Coordinator of Sunday Supper.

FAIR TRADE COFFEE FOR CHCPC is a mission project of the Outreach Committee for many years. The Outreach budget pays for Fair Trade Coffee for small and large congregation gatherings. The Fair Trade designation means the coffee product helps to eliminate poverty and sustain development for farmers, workers, and their families in communities around the world by responsible business practices and conscious consumerism. If you are serving coffee for a group, please use the Fair Trade Coffee provided. Thank You.

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At Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church, we believe in the centrality and power of prayer. You may put a request on our prayer list by emailing the church office at office@cedarheightspres.org. If you would like your name removed from the list, please inform the church office.

PRAYERS FOR Dela Agbagba & Derreck Asiamah as they search for employment here in the United States; for the people of the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia, Bihembe, Iran, Rwanda & Makantakita, Nicaragua; for those currently serving in the military; and for all facing surgery, difficulty, or times of great challenges.

CEDAR VALLEY CROP HUNGER WALK TODAY AT 1 PM beginning at First Congregational Church at W. 4th and South Street, Waterloo after a short program. Please join other members of CHCPC by walking with our team if you are able, or by making a donation to our team that will go to raise funds for the Church World Service [CWS] fight against hunger both locally and in the world. Our team name is Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church. You can donate a check to our church or you can register yourself using the link in the eNews or at "events.cropwalk.org".

FIRST SUNDAY FOOD NEEDS FOR SUNDAY SUPPER – October needs for weekly Sunday Supper meals are for the drinks we provide for fellowship time before and during the meal. The needs are: **coffee, lemonade mix, and sugar**. Thank you for your help. We will collect through October 14.

"STRANGERS NO MORE" is a six-session Bible study on migration led by Rev. Leah Elrod and Rita Waggoner. **Sep 13–Nov 22 (2nd and 4th Sundays) 3-4:30 p.m.** The program combines Biblical reflection, current news, and guest speakers with discussions on immigration. Each session concludes with self pay dinner at immigrant-owned restaurants at 5 pm.

Oct. 11 at First Baptist, Waterloo

Faithful in a Foreign Land -

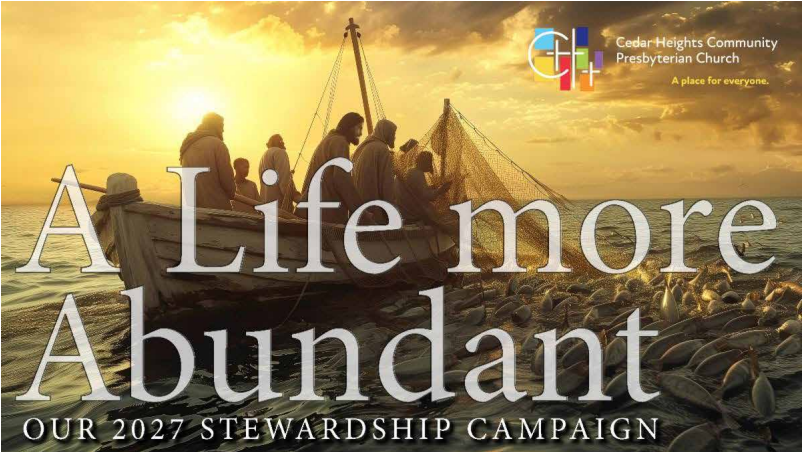
- Draw wisdom from Daniel and Jeremiah for living faithfully amid cultural difference."Seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you... and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare." Jeremiah 29:7
- Greek Dinner at Mama Nicks Circle Pizzeria (fundraiser to help St Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church), or at Three Amigos Mexican Restaurant

JOIN US! Pastor Christine invites you to be part of a brief musical presentation: *A Ceremony of Women's Songs*, which tells the story of several women of the Bible. It involves a choir, soprano and alto soloists, and readers. The solos are sung by women, but men may join the choir. In a time when women's voices are facing a new [old] marginalization, we are proud of the opportunity to lift up the voices of Biblical women who have taught the faith for centuries. *Rehearsals took place in September - now it's time for the dress rehearsal and performances.*

Dress Rehearsal: October 10 at 6 p.m.

Performance Schedule:

October 11 at 10 a.m. - Unity Presbyterian Church, Waterloo
October 18 at 4 p.m. - First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, 1302 West 11th St, CF



Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church

A place for everyone.

OCTOBER 4, 2026 - 10:00 AM
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday



"World Communion & Global Citizenship"

Psalm 19
Philippians 3:4b-14

Rev. Johnny Janssen



Welcome and Announcements Rev. Johnny Janssen

Gathering Music "Jesus, Bread Of Life, I Pray Thee" Arr. Douglas Wagner
Hugh Brown

*Call to Worship

One: Around the world, people gather to commune.
All: We gather with them in spirit.
One: Around the world, the broken Body is made whole.
All: We come eagerly to be nourished and restored.
One: Let us share in God's abundance.
All: Let us praise the living God!

*Opening Hymn - 388 (3x) "Come All You People"

Prayer of Confession
God of hospitality and wonder, you welcome us to a table and invite those who are different from us. This invitation has made us uncomfortable, unsettled, and defensive. Our discomfort comes from an unwillingness to see other peoples' perspectives. Our unsettledness comes from a dependence on the status quo. Our defensiveness comes from believing our image of you is the only one that matters. Help us to surrender ourselves to the abundance of your invitation. Inspire us to embrace diversity as strength, not weakness. Gather us to welcome the stranger, care for the oppressed, and feed the hungry. Forgive us for our short-sightedness and open us to your Gospel—that we might better embody the Beloved Community you call us to be. In the wild and wonderful name of Jesus, we pray. (A moment of silent reflection) Amen.

God's Forgiveness
One: Hear the good news, siblings in Christ! God's mercies are from everlasting to everlasting, and new every morning! Know we are nourished forever at the Table of grace.
All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*Sharing God's Peace

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 19

New Testament Lesson Philippians 3:4b-14

Message for Children (and children at heart) Judy Thomas
(**Preschool-5th grades** are welcome to go to Worship Explorers following the message)

Anthem "Celtic Laud" Craig Courtney
Sanctuary Choir

Sermon "World Communion & Global Citizenship" Rev. Johnny Janssen

*Hymn of Reflection - 530 "One Bread, One Body"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer (in Spanish, by video) Sharon Porter

Offering Ourselves to God

Offering in Song Jordyn Beranek

*Response - 600 (2x) "Amen"

*Dedicating Our Gifts

The Sacrament of Holy Communion
(Derreck Asiamah: Ghanian Twi; Ai Elgersma: Mandarin Chinese)

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving
One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Breaking of the Bread and Communion of the People
Congregation will be invited to proceed down the center aisle and return to their pew via the outer aisles. Please wait to partake of the elements until everyone has been served so we can celebrate together.
All bread served is gluten free.

Prayer after Communion

*Closing Hymn (see words on screen) "For Everyone Born"

*Blessing and Sending Rev. Johnny Janssen

*Sending Music "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" Arr. John Carter

*Please Rise, in Body or in Spirit

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**Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church**
A place for everyone.

We are so glad you chose to worship with us!
If this is your first visit, we look forward to meeting you and getting to know you. Please be sure to sign in on this Bulletin Stub and leave your contact information so we can welcome you! (**Please tear off this stub and place in offering plate.**) We can also add you to our weekly eNEWS list so you know what is coming up in worship and in the life of the church.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____

Zip_____ Phone (____) ____-_____

E-mail _____

- ☐ First Time Guest ☐ Return Guest ☐ Member
- ☐ Regular Attendee (Non-member)
- ☐ Here for Special Occasion Only
- ☐ This is a change in my contact information
- ☐ I'd like to receive the weekly eNewsletter

I heard about CHCPC from:

☐ Driving by ☐ Friend/Family ☐ New Resident

☐ Other _____

I wish...

☐ I were a member

☐ A Pastor would call on me

☐ I was on the e-mail list

☐ We'd sing hymn #_____

or the song _____

☐ A Pastor would call on...

(name) _____

who is ☐ ill, ☐ a prospective member, ☐ other

☐ Pastor/congregation would pray for:
